

## House Resolution No. 944

**Whereas**, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

**Whereas**, fifty years ago on May 25, 1957, Clem Birkmeyer took the hand of his beautiful bride, Virginia "Ginny" Roth, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in St. Joseph, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, Clem and Virginia Birkmeyer have had the pleasure of raising two children, Lucia Crawford of Joplin and Kevin Birkmeyer of Belton, and the privilege of sharing in the lives of their two precious grandsons; and

**Whereas**, now retired, Clem Birkmeyer is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided for his loved ones while serving as a Methodist minister for twenty-six years, followed by working fifteen years in the advertising department at the *Lee's Summit Journal*; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Virginia Birkmeyer further distinguished herself by working for Prudential in St. Joseph and retiring from her secretarial duties at John Knox Village Church; and

**Whereas**, Clem and Virginia Birkmeyer have always placed God first in their lives and in their marriage, they now enjoy the rich rewards of retirement, which include time for reading, traveling, surfing the internet and playing cards; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Birkmeyer, residents of Lee's Summit, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on May 20, 2007, at Deerbrook Covenant Church:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Clem and Virginia Birkmeyer for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Clem Birkmeyer.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jeff Grisamore  
District No. 47

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 944, adopted March 5, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker